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## EXPEDITED PROCEDURE – RESPONSE AFTER FINAL OFFICE ACTION IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of: Volkmar Menger et al.

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For: METHOD FOR PROCESSING CATALYSTS

FOR COLOR NUMBER HYDROGENATION OF POLYTETRAHYDROFURAN AND/OR

THE ESTERS THEREOF

Examiner: J. A. Smith

## **RESPONSE TO FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

MS AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

## **INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the final Office Action dated May 12, 2008, Applicants respectfully request that the above-identified patent application be reconsidered in view of the remarks which follow, that each of the presently pending claims be allowed, and that the application be passed to issue.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.